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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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December 19, 2005

Dear Sir:

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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements of Application dated **September 12, 2005**, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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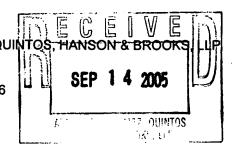


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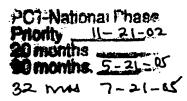
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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/19/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/19/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/19/2005
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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